



Current FACts

FAC News to Use

November 14, 2013

CHFS Secretary Thanks Finance Cabinet for Jobs Well Done

Cabinet for Health and Family Services Sec. Audrey Haynes recently sent a letter to Sec. Lori Flanery regarding the help that the Finance Cabinet has provided especially over the last 18 months.

While the two agencies often work together, Sec. Haynes wanted to point out that she felt the level of cooperation has been unprecedented given the magnitude of the projects.

I want to echo everything Sec. Haynes wrote in her letter to me. Without a doubt, I am proud to say I have the pleasure of working with a great group of people at the Finance Cabinet. While we provide excellent support all across state government, I hope we will always look for ways to provide our services even better in the future.

Thank you for all your work and dedication to a job well done!

-Sec. Lori Flanery

"I would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks to you and all of your team," wrote Sec. Haynes.

Several of the joint efforts include:

✓ Successful development/implementation of the Kentucky Health Benefits Exchange system for which Kentucky has received national recognition.

- ✓ Solicitation/award of multiple managed care service contracts.
- ✓ Solicitation/award of multiple contracts in support of Medicaid expansion.
- ✓ Successful/timely upgrade of the enterprise print capabilities to handle the significant increase in citizen notices and other correspondence.
- ✓ Successful completion of the new Eastern State Hospital and Glasgow Nursing facilities.

Continued on Page 2

Quote of the Day...

Always and never are two words you should always remember to never use!

— Dr. Wendell Johnson (1906-1965), psychologist, actor and author and proponent of general semantics.

First Lady Jane Beshear joins in Recovery Kentucky Ground- breaking for Newest Facility

On Thursday, Nov. 13, First Lady Jane Beshear (center) joined Kentucky Housing Corporation CEO Rick McQuady (second from left) and other state and local officials in breaking ground for the eleventh Recovery Kentucky Center to be located in Knott County.



Recovery Kentucky is a program that helps Kentuckians recover from chronic substance abuse and addiction, and move toward a life of sobriety and productivity. It supplies supportive housing—a stable place to live, and a support system to help men and women recovering from substance abuse and addiction. Recovery Kentucky provides services to qualifying low-income clients, regardless of an individual's ability to pay.

The facility will cost \$7 million and will serve 100 men. The annual



operating budget is estimated at \$2 million and approximately 35 jobs will be created.

The program is a joint effort by the Department for Local Government (DLG), the Department of Corrections, and Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC).

State Government Holiday Schedule



Thanksgiving

Thursday & Friday, November 28-29, 2013

Christmas

Tuesday & Wednesday, December 24-25, 2013

New Year's Eve / New Year's Day

Tuesday, December 31, 2013 / Wednesday, January 1, 2014

While acknowledging many staff have been integral to the success, Sec. Haynes specifically thanked the following:

- ~ Com. Don Speer and the OPS team for their incredible amount of work on our procurements.
- ~ Dep. Sec. Steve Rucker for his support throughout all of our initiatives.
- ~ Com. Jim Fowler and the entire COT team for their delivery of infrastructure and network support services.
- ~ Dep. Sec. Robin Kinney and her print services team for building the necessary print capacity for our additional services.
- ~ Com. Sam Ruth and the Dept. for Facilities and Support Services team for helping CHFS resolve literally thousands of issues relate to the construction of our two new facilities.
- ~ State Controller Ed Ross and team for working closely with CHFS' Div. of General Accounting to ensure CHFS had sufficient cash flow to continue undisrupted services during the recent federal government shutdown.

"Please extend our thanks to your entire team! Their efforts have helped provide critical service to hundreds of thousands of needy Kentuckians and for hat they should be extremely proud."

Special Elections Set for Dec. 10 in Three Counties

A Special Election will be held in **all** precincts in [Union](#) and **part** of [Daviness](#) and **Henderson** Counties to fill the vacancy in the Seventh Legislative District. A Special Election will be held in **part** of [Fayette County](#), **Kentucky** on fill the vacancy in the Thirteenth Senatorial District.

Eligibility for voting within these elections is based upon the district boundaries enacted by the General Assembly in HB1, 2013 First Extraordinary Session. Click on the embedded links above for more information and eligibility requirements.

Discount Available to Kentucky State Employees for Southern Lights Display at Kentucky Horse Park

Advance purchase required



The tradition continues as Southern Lights at the Kentucky Horse marks its 20th year. For an evening of family fun, be sure to check out the holiday display that runs from Nov. 22 to Dec. 31, 2013.

Discounted admission is available to state employees **only** by ordering tickets in advance through the KHP Foundation office. Discounted admission is not available at the gate.

[Click here](#) for the discount form. Complete the form and mail or fax it in with your order.

Thanksgiving Food Drive Continues

The Thanksgiving Food Drive runs **Friday, Nov. 22**. During this time, state employees and visitors can place non-perishable food items in bins at several locations throughout Frankfort state offices including:

LOCATIONS

Governor's Office
Secretary of State's Office
Motor Pool
Capitol Annex
KY Transportation Cabinet
Cab. for Health & Family Services
Capitol Plaza Tower
Dept of Libraries & Archives
State Central Lab

All donations will be equally divided between the Franklin County Emergency Food Pantry, God's Pantry Food Bank, the Franklin County Women's Shelter and Access Soup Kitchen and Men's Shelter.

Thank you for your support and generosity in helping those who are less fortunate.



A beautiful Capitol morning!

Photo submitted by Marcia Adams, Office of Financial Management. Taken on her way to work on Oct. 12, 2013. Thanks for sharing.